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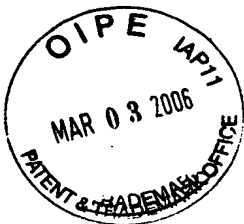
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This is in response to the Official action of December 5, 2005. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7.